Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Milton



Milton-The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash that occurred on Coastal Highway (SR 1) in the area of Truitt Road.

The crash was reported on Saturday, July 7, 2018 at approximately 5:17 a.m. when a passing motorist noticed a vehicle off the roadway and in a field. The preliminary investigation determined that a 2001 Volvo V70 Station Wagon was traveling northbound on Coastal Highway (SR1) approaching the intersection of Truitt Road. After passing Truitt Road, the Station Wagon failed to maintain its lane and exited Coastal Highway just north of Truitt Road, striking a sign post. After impacting the sign post, the Station Wagon continued to travel in a northeasterly direction when it

collided with a standing tree in an open field, before coming to rest a short distance from the tree.

The operator and sole occupant, a 66-year-old male from Harrington was not wearing his seatbelt and was pronounced deceased at the scene. Impairment on his behalf is unknown at this time. His name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Route 1 northbound in the area of Truitt Road was restricted to one lane while the crash was investigated and cleared.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone with information pertaining to this incident is asked to please contact Troop 7, Corporal A. Mitchell at 302-644-5020.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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